



State of Tennessee

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 450

By Senator Herron

and

Representative Holt

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Benjamin Tyler Rollins, 2011 Valedictorian of Gleason High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin Tyler Rollins is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2011 graduating class at Gleason High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ben Rollins has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Rollins has earned an exemplary 3.97 grade point average while participating in a number of extracurricular activities, including the Beta Club, G-Club, Student Council, Science Club, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

WHEREAS, highly esteemed by his fellow students as a natural leader, Ben led the Student Council as President and served as a member of Weakley County Youth Leadership; and

WHEREAS, among the many awards and accolades Mr. Rollins received during his high school career are the Gleason D.A.R. Good Citizen Award and the Dudley Sanders Award; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his talents in the classroom, Ben is a skilled basketball player, and for his abilities on the court, he was named to the All-District 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 teams and as the All-West Tennessee Honorable Mention in 2009-2010 and 2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, Ben Rollins's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at the University of Tennessee-Martin, where he plans to pursue the pre-medical curriculum to prepare for his career as a physician; and

WHEREAS, Ben's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Monica Rollins and Chris Rollins; his school; and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rollins's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2011 Gleason High School Valedictorian, Benjamin Tyler Rollins, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: May 20, 2011



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 2nd day of June 2011



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR